

HHQG Meeting November 25, 2024: Held at Optimist Club 13439 Hwy 7 Georgetown, ON.

President—Margaret Newey: Margaret called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. She welcomed the members and guests. Margaret wanted to keep the business short to allow more time for the program. Anne Balanyk moved to accept the minutes for the October meeting. This was seconded by Jane Brewin.



The Sew and Chat days have resumed every other Friday, at Trinity United Church in Acton. There will be a \$7.00 donation per person to the Church for the day. The next date is Nov 29<sup>th</sup>.

Jane Symmes brought a selection of books for you to consider for purchase. These books were priced at less than \$20.00. Jane mentioned that tonight was the last opportunity to sign up for the postcard exchange. She has nine people who have signed up so far. These will be split into two groups. Please deliver (mail, in person, drop off) your postcards to the recipients by the June AGM at the latest. Jane is planning two workshops. In April, Margaret will teach the "Film at Five" quilt. She asked us to be prepared with 2.5" scrappy squares. In May, Anne will teach the Mondo Bag workshop. Jane informed the group that there would be a non-refundable deposit for the Mondo Bag workshop. This is to cover the prepurchase of some supplies that will be needed. More information will be in future newsletters.

Maria noted that there are 25 people present at tonight's meeting. If you have a gift for the Secret Santa Exchange, please place it on the table and see Maria for a ticket. Maria called out ticket numbers periodically through the evening for the members to go to the table and select a gift to take home. The members really enjoyed this.

Barbara noted that the submission date for the January Newsletter is Jan 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025. She thanked the members for their continued contributions.

The rest of the Executives had nothing to report.

Irene told the members what they are doing for the program. There are kits to make tray mats for Links2Care and kits to make client bibs for the Silver Creek Adult Day Center. Thanks, Irene, for all your work making these kits. Irene showed a sample bib that she made and reviewed the directions with the sewers. Everyone got busy!

Thanks to MaryLou and Courtney for keeping us in eggnog, hot applie cider, tea and coffee! Thanks to Donna, Margaret and Ulda for the treats.

The member draws were won by Donna May and Katherine Pulford. The theme for the fat quarter draw was Christmas. The members brought so many fat quarters that Maria decided to have two draws that were won by Anne Balanyk and Jane Symmes. Brenda Mathies let us know that the 50-50 tickets had raised \$82 dollars. Ulda Keleris won \$41 and \$41 will be deposited into the Guild's bank account. Congratulations ladies!

The meeting had Show and Share from members. Anne showed her Remembrance Day wall hanging. This was a very striking piece that captured Remembrance Day very well. Anne received two commissions to remake this wall hanging. She made the two additional wall hangings, but the people then did not purchase them! Anne advised us to always get a deposit for commissions. Marg Brown and Margaret Newey made their minister a new Stole. This featured some great embroidery. Marg Brown finished an old UFO, a striking medallion quilt worked in fall colours, MaryLou reworked one of her older pieces with some embroidery that nicely fixed a design flaw.

By the end of the night there were 30 new Christmas theme tray mats! Ida Jenkins will take these to Pearl Sawdon. There were 9 completed bibs and 5 incomplete bibs were taken home to finish. Please give those bibs to Margaret when they are finished.

Thanks, ladies, for a fun and productive evening!

The meeting adjourned at 9:15. The next meeting will be over zoom on January 27<sup>th</sup>.

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Donna May